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MINOT WINS FIRST PLACE IN STATE DAIRY CONTEST

STATE DAIRY CONVENTION ONE OF THE BEST MEETINGS IN HISTORY OF ASSOCIATION—SPEAKERS OF NATIONAL REPUTE—FINE STOCK EXHIBIT.

The state Dairymen's convention now in session in Minot is one of the best this organization has ever held, so the old members tell us. The exhibit of blooded milch cows and sires is exceedingly good, more than forty head of stock representing Guernseys, Holsteins, Ayrshires and Jerseys being represented. The program so far has been exceedingly interesting and many of our farmers are taking in the meeting and are on the job from the opening hours until the close.

This organization represents the best bet of North Dakota in bringing it to a prosperous and contented agricultural state. Like all good things, we wish we could have this association convene with us here at Minot every year. There is no "hot air" about this organization. It is doing its great work in a quiet and careful way, but just the same it is doing it, and doing it well.

The meeting is being held in the Armory, the basement being used for the stock exhibit. State Commissioner Flint is presiding at the meetings in the absence of the president, Samuel Crabb of Fargo.

Commissioner Flint has done much to aid in bringing this organization to its high degree of helpful efficiency and it requires no prophetic power to realize that each year will see this association grow bigger and better.

The opening address given by J. M. Devine bristled with telling facts and interesting figures. We have space for just a few of the things said and striking figures given. His first statement was that this was not a "Magic City," but rather the result of anything and everything but that of "Magic." Minot is what it is because of the optimism, courage, backbone and everlasting working together of its citizens since the year 1900, up to and inclusive of 1914. It is what it is because it happened to have two transcontinental lines and is located in the richest and best tract of prairie upland in the northwest, viz., the Mouse River Loop.

He stated North Dakota would never be great or reach its greatest agricultural possibilities until the milch cow was in evidence on every farm, with the natural sequence of corn, hogs, silos and silage. He showed that in 1910 the state raised 8,000,000 bushels of corn; in 1911, 9,000,000 bushels; 1912, 11,000,000 bushels; 1913, 12,000,000 bushels, and in 1914, 17,000,000. That when a state can raise 17,000,000 bushels of good corn, the question as to whether this is a corn state or not is settled forever. That the hog production in North Dakota increased from 140,000 hogs in 1910 to 420,000 in 1914. That the corn acreage in Ward county has increased 150 per cent in two years, and milch cows 300 per cent in four years. Ward county had but five silos in 1912 and 72 in 1914. That there are 31 active farmers' clubs in the county. That during the month of December, 1914, North Dakota shipped and sold more hogs in the St. Paul stock yards than all other states in the same time combined, in the same place. That during the same year North Dakota sold in the same yards, \$10,000,000 worth of stock. Speaking more directly of local markets and particularly Minot, he stated that the Northern Produce Co., in 1914 purchased 165,000 gallons of cream. Their cream, eggs and poultry purchases exceeded \$600,000. He stated in his concluding remarks that each acre of our land intelligently farmed will produce more dollars in wheat, oats, barley, flax, and equally as good returns in eggs, poultry, hogs, beef cattle, cream and butter as the most costly "out-of-reach" land in Illinois, Iowa or Indiana. Do it on land that has never received a drop of water artificially or been renewed with a single ounce of fertilizer. Farmers, however, must not make the mistake as some of them have already done, and which Mark Twain once said he made. He bought a hog for \$5.00, fed it \$9.00 worth of corn and sold it for \$11.00. Mark said that he lost on the hog but made money on the corn.

The following officers for the ensuing year were elected:
President—C. E. Batcheller, Fingal.
Vice President—John Christianson, New Salem.
Secretary—Peter Miller Bismarck.
Directors—E. S. Person, Minot; J. R. Keithley, Fargo, and O. S. Hagen, Devils Lake.
The place for holding the next convention will be selected by the directors.
Seventeen creameries were represented in the dairy exhibits and many dairies. Minot won first in each class, the only time in the history of the association that the city where the convention was held, walking away with these honors.
The Minot Dairy Co. won first premium in the creamery contest with a score of 95. This is a remarkable record for this season of the year. H. M. Magnusson, Kenmare, 94.5; I. H. Riley, Grandville, 94; O. E. Wildgrube, Bluegrass, 94.5; Fargo Ice Cream and Dairy Co., 94; Iver Loveas, Driscoll, 93.5; O. S. Hagen, Devils Lake, 93; John Schmitt, Ray, 92.5; J. M. Hein, New Salem, 92.

The banquet Wednesday night at the Lexington was a brilliant affair and was attended by a hundred. President Crabb of Fargo arrived that afternoon and acted as toastmaster at the banquet. A delightful spread was furnished by the ladies of the Baptist church. The address Thursday afternoon by Prof. Larson of Brookings, S. D., Professor of Animal Husbandry of the S. D. Agricultural college and associate editor of the Dakota Farmer, and Prof. Hovstad, agricultural commissioner of the state, were of high order. Charles L. Hill, of Rosendale, Wis., former president of the American Guernsey Cattle club, and a noted importer, gave an illustrated lecture Tuesday night on his various journeys to the Isle of Guernsey. A. J. Glover, editor of Hoard's Dairyman, of Fort Atkinson, gave an illustrated lecture Tuesday night on the best known dairymen in the country. Others who appeared on the program were Prof. Shepard, dean of the Agricultural college, Merrill, Delaware expert, and Prof. Keithley, of our Agricultural college.
Every stall in the building was filled with the stock exhibit would have been twice as large had there been more room. The Wisconsin men consider that our dairymen have made a remarkable progress considering that dairying in North Dakota is only in its infancy.
Among the splendid exhibits was a Guernsey bull, owned by the Guernsey Co. of Donnybrook, of which Jos. Johnson is president.
Erik Hovstad, one of our old time dairymen, showed two Jersey cows and two Jersey heifers, winning two firsts and one third. He has one of the finest Jersey herds in the state.
Colonel H. J. Hecht's exhibit of three fine grade cows and one pure bred Holstein bull attracted much attention. Mr. Hecht received first on one of the grade Holsteins.
J. E. Elsberry, one of our pioneer dairymen, owner of the famous Riverside Dairy, owning a herd of 31 pure bred high grade Holstein and Guernsey cows, bulls and calves, exhibited four Guernseys and eight Holsteins. One of his grade bulls and four pure bred Holstein bulls won first premiums. Much interest was taken in his heifer, Beauty Johanna Clude, a Holstein, that milked 15.5 pounds in seven days.
Major Person, owner of Elmwood farm, exhibited the finest bunch of pure bred Guernsey cattle ever shown in the state. The seven cows are worth no less than \$5,000, although the Major has never set a price on any of them. The champion cow of the state, Laura Bettina, 29725, won the first premium in the age class. J. A. Aarsen, who has charho has won a prize for his cow, which has made much credit for the record this cow has made. Many watched his method of feeding with much interest. He feeds a balanced ration, drawing his conclusions from the weight of the cattle and the amount and quality of milk they give. He finds that it costs 35 cents a day to feed Laura Bettina, while her product brings \$1.50 a day. He feeds mixtures of silage, grain and hay, with salt. This wonderful cow makes 1-2 pounds of butter daily. Mr. Person has a heifer, Luetta of Elmwood, that is making an even better record than the champion. She is carrying her calf a two-year-old, she produced 165 pounds of butterfat in 99 days.
The premiums amounted to \$700 in cash. Pictures of the cattle were taken by a photographer today.
Winners in the stock judging contests were as follows:
Holstein Bulls three years old—J. E. Elsberry, first; Maj. E. S. Person, second; H. J. Hecht, third.
Holstein Bulls, one year old—J. E. Elsberry, first. Elsberry also won first prize for senior and junior bull calves; also first for three year old and two-year-old cows, and second on one-year-old heifer.
Jersey in Purebred Class—There was only one exhibited, an aged bull owned by Hovstad, and he took the prize.
Guernsey Class—Nels A. Holgren, of Donnybrook, representing the White Ash Guernsey Breeders' association, which is composed of several farmers of White Ash township, took first prize for aged Guernseys: A. E. Erb, second; E. S. Person, third.
Bulls, 2 years old—J. E. Elsberry, first; C. G. Hoover, second.
Guernsey Cow Class—Major Person, first; O. K. Spires, second; E. S. Person, third.
Mr. Person also won first and second for two-year-olds, first and second for yearlings and first on senior and junior calves.
In the grade classified for females only, there were six contestants and the judges requested the farmers to inspect the cows and judge them before they fed, giving them some practical insight into the careful selection of stock. The dairywomen were able to select the cows that the judge afterwards awarded first place.
Grade Cows—Hecht, first; Elsberry, second and Erick Hovstad, third.
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E. H. Delthert, Balfour, 91; E. J. Graunde, Rosedale, 90.
In the dairy class, Mrs. B. Solberg, Minot, won first with a high score of 93.5. Mrs. Solberg was the winner as well in the recent Mid-winter fair. The other scores were: Mrs. M. Morris, Wheatland, 93; Mrs. Erik Hovstad, Minot, 92.5; Christine Haglund, Medina, 92; Mrs. C. B. Plifer, Burlington, 90.5; Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb, Flasher, 90.
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Normal School Loses to Berwick. Much enthusiasm and good sportsmanship marked the game of basketball played Friday night between the Berwick High school and the Normal school. The game was fast and clean and was more exciting than the score might indicate. The Berwick boys were on their mettle from the start and succeeded in running up a score of 20 the first half, to 9 by their opponents. The second half was a repetition of the first, Berwick scoring 21, Normal school 10, making the final score 41 to 19. Leonard Gallagher starred for the Berwick team, shooting nine field goals and three free throws. Eleven Christianson scored heaviest for the local team, making four field goals.

Summary: Berwick—Field Goals, Gallagher 9, E. Oppen 4, LaFave 3, L. Arnold 3; Free Throws, Gallagher 3, Normal School—Field Goals, Christianson 4, Rom 2, Finn 1, Munson 1, Taylor 1; Free Throws, Rom 1, ILN up follows: Berwick—Oppen, R. G.; aFave L. G.; Gallagher C.; Arnold R. F.; Oppen, E. L. F. Normal School—Christenson, L. F.; Rom R. F.; Finn C.; Taylor C.; Munson G.; Sanford R. G.

The preliminary game played between the College of Commerce and a town team resulted in a victory for the latter, the score being 41 to 5. The veterans showed that they are still capable of doing good work.

Frank Hensel Loses Babe. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hensel died at their home near Burlington Wednesday night. The child was but two days old.

Whorley Babe Dies. Hattie May Whorley, a six-months-old baby, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Whorley of Freedom township, passed away at St. Joseph's hospital Feb. 20.

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Climbing.
Rings and high jumping.
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Giant stride.
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Sketch—Rural Course Girls.
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CITY MUST EXTEND SEWER SYSTEM

COMMISSIONERS HAVE PLAN TO BRING RELIEF TO FARMERS WHO COMPLAIN OF FILTH IN MOUSE RIVER.

The city of Minot is preparing to bring relief to the farmers who live below the city, from the stench created by running the filth from our sewers into Mouse river, by extending the sewer system 2,000 feet to lower ground, connecting the system with septic tanks and contact beds. This, it is believed, will take care of the refuse nicely. The extension will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000.

The commissioners have instructed City Engineer Thomas and L. V. Parker, the state bacteriologist, to make experiments along this line at once. The city realizes that something must be done very soon.

DEATH OF MRS. ANNA POOLER

WELL KNOWN MINOT WOMAN DIES FOLLOWING TRAGIC OCCURRENCE OF THREE MONTHS AGO.

Mrs. Emma Pooler, wife of C. A. Pooler, employed at the Bearman Fruit House, died Thursday night at St. Joseph's hospital, at 7:30 o'clock, following a tragic occurrence three months ago. The immediate cause of her death was hemorrhage of the stomach.

Mrs. Pooler submitted to an operation several weeks ago and it was that she was recovering, but a second operation was performed ten days before her death. She ate a hearty supper shortly before she died.

The funeral was held from Labor Hall Monday, and was under the direction of the Socialist Local.

Mrs. Pooler was born in Clinton county, Ia., Nov. 7, 1878, and eight years ago came to this city. She taught in the schools south of Minot and was employed in Minot offices. She was married to Mr. Pooler in August, eight years ago, and to this union four children were born, three boys and one girl, Gilbert, 7, May 3, John 2, and a baby four months old.

Mrs. Pooler was a well educated woman and many friends regret her death.

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CLARA MORRIS AWARD-ED \$325 DAMAGES

WOMAN WHO SUED MINOT FOR \$10,000 FOR INJURIES RECEIVED IN FALL, GIVEN SMALL VERDICT.

Clara Morris, who brought action against the city of Minot for \$10,000 for injuries received in a fall on the icy sidewalk on south Main street a year ago, was awarded \$325 by the jury in district court Tuesday. The woman was represented by Pald, Aaker & Greene and the city's interests were looked after by City Attorney Bradford. The plaintiff claimed that by reason of her fall, she sustained permanent injuries to her spine, arm and wrist. She alleged that her doctor bill had cost \$250.

PROMINENT BURLINGTON WOMAN DIES

MRS. H. T. HOGY PASSED AWAY VERY SUDDENLY AT TWO O'CLOCK THIS MORNING—WAS ILL OF ASTHMA.

The many friends of Mrs. H. T. Hogy were shocked when they learned that she had died suddenly at her home at 2 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Hogy had been suffering from asthma, but had been feeling as well as usual.

The funeral services will be held at Burlington at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Hogy was 47 years of age and is survived by her husband and two children, a daughter of seventeen, Myrtle, who is attending the Minot Normal, and Hazel, aged 13. One daughter died about two years ago. The Independent will publish a complete obituary next week.

A Blow to Game Preservation. Washington, D. C., Feb. 20, 1915. Mr. E. B. McCutcheon, Chief Game Warden, Minot, North Dakota.

Dear Sir: I have your letter of February 15th stating that the bill introduced in the North Dakota legislature to abolish the game warden system failed of passage, and we wish to congratulate you and other friends of game bird protection in your State, in preventing the passage of the bill, which would surely have been a blow to conservation in North Dakota.

Very truly yours, W. F. Bancroft, Administrative Assistant, Game Preservation.

Fortnightly Club Paper. Dr. Wm. F. Clarke read a paper on "Psychology and Its Practical Applications" before the Fortnightly Club on Monday evening. It was a very scholarly address, yet not pedantic or coldly intellectual. By concrete examples he aptly illustrated the points presented, and with a characteristic humor, appreciated by a closely attentive audience.

The paper opened with a discussion of the term Psychology, with some justification for the retention of the sub-concept in the study of the subject. The principle that all ideas terminate or tend to terminate in some sort of action was discussed in its practical bearings. Hypnotism, suggestion and substitution were shown to be procedures based upon the principle. Most stress was placed upon

suggestion, with examples from everyday life, showing how the principle is made use of by various individuals and institutions, both for good and bad ends.

The nature, function and worth of psychological laboratories were treated—their value noted in that they furnish exact information regarding physical aspects of the subject. Facts have thus been discovered of practical value relative to memory, reaction, time, fatigue, etc.

Conscience was given as an example of psychological elements not studied in the laboratory. "This is a highly important element in mental life. It has been well described as 'the voice of God in man,' serving as a monitor to direct him in the path of rectitude. It is not its function to point out the right in specific cases, but to urge conduct in harmony with that which the individuals experience, as interpreted by the mind thru reason and reflection, has shown him to be right."

A lively discussion followed the reading of the paper, turning mainly on the psychological interpretation of Conscience.

The Winning of Barbara Worth. In "The Winning of Barbara Worth," the big scenic production that comes to the Grand Theatre Friday, March 5th, there is given a picture of the desert without a blemish. It is a scenic achievement of a moving order, for the producers realized that the fauna and flora, and the human life in all its achievements and aspirations, are essential factors. From the cry of the babe for water until the sand-storm wipes out every vestige of the great tragedy that left Barbara nameless, the desert scene is awe-inspiring. It is the alpha of scenic artistry with the omega in the last act of a wonderfully realistic scene, where the desert is brought under subjection and made profitable by the wedding of the sunshine and the rain.

RUSSIANS FAIRLY WIPED OUT BY THE GERMANS. German forces under Field Marshal von Hindenburg fairly wiped out one great Russian army of 150,000 in a four days' battle. An Associated Press correspondent vouchers for the statement that approximately 30,000 Russians were killed and wounded and 60,000 made prisoners. This is considered the greatest victory since the beginning of the war.

REVIVAL AT SURREY. An old-fashioned revival will begin in the town hall, Surrey, on Thursday, March 4th, conducted by Rev. Daniel Wolfe. Mrs. Chalker of Minot and Mrs. Shean of Burlington are expected to be among the workers.

All are invited. Come and get right with God.

PAUL V. MCCOY, RETURNING FROM NEW YORK, TELLS OF THE LATEST MATERIAS AND SHADES FOR WOMEN'S SPRING GARMENTS.

Paul V. McCoy has returned from New York, where he spent nearly four weeks. He not only bought a very large stock of merchandise, some of which has arrived, but brings back fashion news fresh from the style center that will prove interesting to nearly every woman reader of the Independent.

"Materials," he says, "are in Gabardines, serges, poplins, while the most popular colors are sand, putty, navy, battleship gray and black. Military effects are shown strongly in spring dresses, suits and coats."

Mr. McCoy placed his orders for holiday chinaware with Japanese merchants. In Japan china decorators work for three cents a day, while in our country they receive no less than five dollars. Merchants are enabled to buy such merchandise much cheaper from importers, even after paying heavy duty.

LYMAN AT EXPOSITION. North Dakota Building, San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 20.—Among the visitors at the North Dakota building today were Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lyman and son and daughter. They are now residing at Berkeley, but feel that North Dakota is still their home. Mr. Lyman is a manufacturer's jobber with offices in San Francisco, and is doing well.

Candidates for City Commission. A petition is being circulated for Wm. Hetherington, Sr., for city commissioner. Mr. Hetherington is one of our sturdy citizens and has the time to devote to the office if elected.

A petition is being circulated for Rev. Wm. C. Hunter for one of the places on the commission. Mr. Hunter owns considerable property in Minot. Both petitions are being liberally signed. There are three commissioners, including the president, to be elected.

SENATOR HAMILTON BEREAVED. The Independent regrets very much to learn of the death of the wife of Senator D. H. Hamilton, which occurred Saturday at the family home near Uppham. The Senator had been at his wife's bedside continually for two weeks before death came. Mrs. Hamilton had been ill for many weeks.

TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS. If you are thinking somewhat of building and have a lot or two anywhere in the city, we will sell you the material to build a house for yourself and will accept monthly payments till paid for. We are here to help build up Minot and when we say we guarantee to give every customer absolute satisfaction we mean it. Call in and see us and get acquainted with our terms. Plans and specifications free.

Yours very truly, Bovey-Shute Lumber Co.

A Hard Worked Servant. According to actual figures, Governor Hanna has from 70 to 300 visitors at his office daily, and in addition to listening to their tales of woe and otherwise, has to dictate scores of letters, give his personal attention to the hundreds of laws that are being enacted by the legislature and attend to divers other matters pertaining to the business of state. Our governor is the hardest worked servant of the state we have.

LEGALIZED BANK ROBBERY HEARING ON

TRACY BANGS EMPLOYED BY GRANT S. YOUMANS—COMMITTEE HEARS TESTIMONY WEDNESDAY.

The probe into the charges made by Grant S. Youmans in his Legalized Bank Robbery, started at Bismarck Wednesday, before the legislative committee consisting of Representatives Haroldson and Joe Purcell and Senator McGray.

Tracy Bangs, the Grand Forks lawyer, has been secured to represent Mr. Youmans. The committee intended hearing testimony Tuesday but Attorney General Linde was out of Bismarck.

Nine witnesses are giving testimony, among them being M. R. Porter, R. E. Barron, Geo. A. McGee, Grant S. Youmans, S. J. Kassmussen, of this city, and Messrs. Taylor, Ross and Peterson, of Mountrail county.

FAIR APPROPRIATION FOR STATE NORMAL.

President Crane and Secretary of the Board of Trustees J. M. Devine, have been in Bismarck a number of times during the last month at the call of the Legislature. All requests were carefully investigated by the Lathrop committee, a sub-committee of the joint appropriation committee.

The educational institutions in the past have derived a great deal of support from the educational mill tax. It has been found necessary to repeal this tax and substitute for it an annual standing appropriation. This is the sole source of income of the local institution and friends of the school will be interested to know that under the substitute bill the school will get the face value of the mill tax, or \$11,580 annually. As the present year shows a reduction in the mill tax of \$15,000, this amount has been made up to the school in the general appropriation bill. The constitution provides for a general appropriation bill for the general departments of the government and the public schools. Such a bill has, however, never been enacted. This year the auditor has prepared a budget of receipts, expenditures and requests of all departments of state government. Based upon this report the Lathrop Committee has introduced a bill commonly known as the budget bill. All appropriations for state educational institutions are included in this bill. The local school will receive the following amount if this bill becomes law: